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### 2012 Alaska Farm to School Program Request for Proposals ~ Application Deadline 5:00pm May 14th, 2012

#### To: Interested Alaska Farm to School Supporters

The Division of Agriculture (Division) intends to apply for funding through the USDA Farm to School Grant (FTSG) program and is soliciting project ideas from potential collaborators. For more information on the USDA FTSG program, visit [www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/f2s/f2\\_grant\\_program.htm](http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/f2s/f2_grant_program.htm). The Division intends to accept at least one project proposal from this solicitation.

Projects will be selected that are in alignment with the following project goals:

- Innovative procurement strategies;
- Equipment and storage solutions to increase the use of foods produced in Alaska;
- Demonstration of collaborative efforts with multiple stakeholders; and/or
- Multiple school districts or farms working together.

The selected project proposal will require a contract with the Division which will include:

- Designation of a project lead, responsible for writing up and carrying out the project idea;
- Obtaining letters of support for project idea;
- A detailed budget; and
- Quarterly reporting and a final report including required documentation and receipts.

Applicants should submit a ***ONE*** page letter describing their project idea to the Division of Agriculture, Farm to School Program.

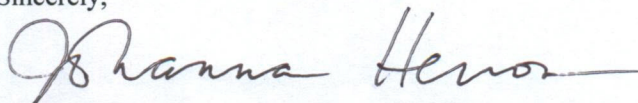
Project letters will be evaluated based on the:

- Relative need for the proposed activity;
- Alignment with project goals outlined above;
- Listed support and collaboration of required expertise; and
- Previous project performance.

Proposals must be received at either the Central or Northern Region Division of Agriculture offices (see above addresses) by 5:00 pm on Monday, May 14, 2012. Selected proposals will be announced no later than May 18, 2012.

If you have any questions, please contact Johanna Herron at [Johanna.herron@alaska.gov](mailto:Johanna.herron@alaska.gov), 907-374-3714.

Sincerely,



Johanna Herron  
Farm to School Program Coordinator

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